

**Andrew Jackson to James Winchester, January 2, 1807,
from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by
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TO JAMES WINCHESTER.¹

¹ At the time brigadier-general of Tennessee Militia.

Division orders.

Hermitage, January 2, 1807

Sir , From circumstances made known to me, by letter from the Secretary at War dated the 19th. Ultò. handed to me last evening by express as well as from circumstances numerated in the proclamation of the President of the United States of the 1st. Ultò; make it necessary that the militia that I have the honor to command should be in complete readiness to march all volunteer companies of mounted infantry in your brigade at a moments warning after the rect. of my orders for that purpose. You will also have in readiness your full companies of Mounted Infantry to march On the fifth instant with provisions for 20 days and 15 rounds of powder and ball. All volunteer companies will be held in readiness to march whenever the emergency of our country require it, and my orders are given to that effect. You will make known to me without delay the exact number of volunteer companies ready to march in yr brigade, and if these should not be yr. sufficient quota of volunteers you will immediately make up such deficiency by draft and hold them in readiness to march at a moments warning. You will also make known to me the precise situation and state of the brigade under yr. command the soonest possible.

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I am with considerations of the highest respect and Esteem yr friend